GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVATION
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SHORTAGE OF HOUSES IN URBAN AREAS
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Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government have prepared any estimation regarding shortage of houses in the urban areas in the country, particularly in Andhra Pradesh;

(b) if so the details thereof, State-wise;

(c) the target fixed for allotment of house-sites/houses under various housing schemes during 2002-2003, State-wise; and

(d) the target fixed for grant of loan by HUDCO for private housing in terms of housing units during 2002-2003, State-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT & POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI BANDARU DATTATREYA)

(a)&(b): As per the projections made by the 9th Plan Working Group, a total of 16.76 million units would have to be constructied in the urban areas during the 9th Plan period (1997-2002) for covering housing shortage. State-wise urban housing shortage projected in the 9th Plan Working Group for the years 1991,1997,1998,1999,2000 and 2001 is given in Annexure-I.

(c): Housing is a State subject. Government of India`s role is an enabler rather than builder. The Government of India through the National Agenda for Governance have declared `Housing for All` as a priority area. Towards this and the Agenda sets a a target of construction of additional 2 million houses (7 lakh in Urban areas and 13 lakh in Rural areas) every year. Housing & Urban Development Corporation Limited (HUDCO), a Public Sector enterprise under this Ministry provides financial support to State Government agencies for this housing programme on a demand driven basis. State-wise annual target under Additional 2 Million Housing Programme in urban areas by HUDCO is given at Annexure-II.

(d): HUDCO has intimated that no State-wise targets are fixed for private housing as the scheme is demand driven.